

### **Claims**

1. A method for visualising a spatially resolved data set (D) using an illumination model (BM), with a datum ( $D(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$ ) of the data set (D) being associated in each case with a volume element (V) whose position is described by coordinates ( $\alpha, \beta, \gamma$ ) in a measurement coordinate system ( $K_M$ ), with the data ( $D(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$ ) being loaded as at least one texture ( $T\alpha_i, T\beta_j, T\gamma_k$ ) into graphics hardware in order to generate a pictorial representation (5) in a projection space, characterised in that the illumination model (BM) is evaluated in the measurement coordinate system ( $K_M$ ).
2. A method in accordance with claim 1, in which the data ( $D(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)$ ) of the data set (D) are processed without transformation from the measurement coordinate system ( $K_M$ ) into another coordinate system, in particular without transformation into a Cartesian and/or isotropic coordinate system.
3. A method in accordance with any one of the preceding claims, in which the measurement coordinate system ( $K_M$ ) is a non-Cartesian measurement coordinate system ( $K_M$ ).
4. A method in accordance with any one of the preceding claims, in which the measurement coordinate system ( $K_M$ ) is a cylindrical system or a spherical coordinate system ( $K_M$ ).

5. A method in accordance with any one of the preceding claims, in which linear interpolation is carried out between the data  $(D(\alpha, \beta, \gamma))$  of the data set (D) in the measurement coordinate system  $(K_M)$ .
- 5 6. A method in accordance with any one of the preceding claims, in which the illumination model in the data set (D) is evaluated close to a singularity.
- ) 7. A method in accordance with any one of the preceding claims, in  
10 which the data  $(D(\alpha, \beta, \gamma))$  of the data set (D) represent a volume resolved scan of a body  $(G_0)$ ; and in which the pictorial representation (5) is a three-dimensional representation (5), in particular a semi-transparent representation (5), of the body  $(G_0)$ .
- 15 8. A method in accordance with any one of the preceding claims, in which the pictorial representation (5) is generated as a stereoscopic projection.
- ) 9. A method in accordance with any one of the preceding claims, in  
20 which the data  $(D(\alpha, \beta, \gamma))$  of the data set (D) are generated by means of an ultrasonic measuring device (1).
10. Use of a method in accordance with any one of the preceding claims, in particular for medical purposes, for the fast generation of three-  
25 dimensional representations (5) of a body  $(G_0)$ , in particular of a human body or parts thereof, with reference to data  $(D(\alpha, \beta, \gamma))$  gained by a technical measurement.